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In a dangerous reversal, Israel, the occupying Power, has deployed troops back to positions in close proximity to the headquarters of the President of the Palestinian Authority in the City of Ramallah. Israeli occupying forces, including snipers, took positions on the roofs of two eight-storey buildings, one only 500 yards away from the headquarters. Today, Israeli occupying forces obstructed traffic in at least two streets around the headquarters.

This latest Israeli military action not only endangers the safety of the people in the headquarters, but also hampers the freedom of movement into and from the headquarters. Actually, the Israeli Minister of Defense, Mr. Benjamin Ben-Eliezer, stated that the "blockade" was continuing, though from greater distance. The above obviously constitutes a challenge to the Security Council of the United Nations, and comes as a serious violation of Security Council resolution 1435 (2002) of 24 September 2002, and as such, must be immediately reversed.

At the same time, the Israeli occupying forces continue to use excessive and indiscriminate force, killing more Palestinians, including children, and causing wanton destruction as they carry out this bloody military campaign. A tragic illustration of this excessive use of force was the killing of two 10-year-old Palestinian boys in the city of Nablus on 30 September 2002. The Israeli occupying forces killed the two boys while a curfew on the city was in force. The city of Nablus has been subjected to the most brutal measures by the Israeli occupying forces, including the continuous curfew imposed on the whole population of the city.

In follow-up to my previous 139 letters to you regarding the ongoing crisis in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem dated from 29 September 2000 to 30 September 2002 (A/55/432-S/2000/921; A/55/437-S/2000/930; A/55/450-S/2000/957; A/55/466-S/2000/971; A/55/474-S/2000/984; A/55/490-S/2000/993; A/ES-10/39-S/2000/1015; A/ES-10/40-S/2000/1025; A/ES-10/42-S/2000/1068; A/ES-10/43-S/2000/1078; A/ES-10/44-S/2000/1093; A/ES-10/45-S/2000/1104;

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I would be grateful if you would arrange to have the present letter and its annex distributed as an official document of the tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 5, and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the identical letters dated 2 October 2002 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Names of martyrs killed by Israeli occupying forces in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem* (Monday, 30 September, through Tuesday, 1 October 2002)

Monday, 30 September 2002

In addition to names of martyrs included in the letter dated 30 September 2002 (A/ES-10/197-S/2002/1094):

Mahmoud Hamzeh Mahmoud Zaghool (10 years old)

Tuesday, 1 October 2002

Salah Mohammed Bahar

* The total number of Palestinian martyrs killed by Israeli occupying forces since 28 September 2000 is 1,834.